

A CATTLE RAISERS' SCHEME

A COMPANY IS TO BE LAUNCHED TO
MAKE SUITABLE CAT-
TLE CARS.

TIED WAITING ON THE RAILROADS

To Furnish Sufficient and Well
Equipped Cars—Already Much
Stock Has Been Subscribed.
Plan of the Promoters.

Colorado, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Your reporter learns from the best authority that the State Cattle Raisers' association is about to launch a business project that will be of immense benefit to the members of the association and solve a much mooted question.

It has long been a complaint of the stockmen of this portion of the state that the cars furnished them by the railroads for the transportation of stock were not in the condition they should be, nor were they nearly sufficient in number. The transportation committee of the association proposes to solve this at once by the formation of a stock company among the members of the association and the immediate construction of at least 500 cars as a starter. The plan is outlined in the prospectus, which has the endorsement of all the officers of the association, is as follows:

An association car line, to be known as the Cattle Raisers' Pacific company, to issue bonds to the amount of \$300,000, in denominations of \$100 each, bearing interest at 5 per cent. These bonds are to be sold to members of the association at 20 cents on the dollar, to be paid in two equal payments, extending over a period of one year. In addition to the \$300,000 bond issue above mentioned, there will be an issue of \$200,000 non-redeemable bonds, also bearing 5 per cent interest, to be placed in the treasury of the association, the interest of these bonds to be applied to the general expense fund of the association. The bonds are to run fifteen years. It is estimated that the first cost of the cars will be \$300,000, of which a cash payment of \$70,000 will be required. It is not contemplated there will be any preference in distributing these cars to members, nor any particular route to market specified, but it is the undoubted intention of the stockmen to favor those roads which have shown them favors in the past.

The plan has been laid before a large number of the members of the association already, and the following amount of stock subscribed:

J. B. Watson.....	\$20,000
E. T. Comer.....	25,000
S. B. Burnett.....	25,000
Sam Davidson.....	5,000
W. B. Worsham.....	5,000
A. B. Bush.....	10,000
L. G. Wilson.....	20,000
G. W. Simpson.....	25,000
R. J. Kieberg.....	25,000
J. H. Wells.....	5,000
C. S. Haggood.....	5,000
W. V. Newlin.....	25,000
A. Silberstein.....	10,000
Winfield Scott.....	10,000
D. B. Gardner.....	10,000
H. W. McCoy.....	10,000
Curle Bros.....	10,000
Childress Land and Cattle Co.....	10,000
Jot G. Smith.....	5,000
E. B. Carver.....	5,000
John Schaubauer.....	10,000

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK.

It Caused a Great Panic in Montreal.
No Serious Damage.

Montreal, May 27.—There was an earthquake shock here tonight at 10:15. From the time the rumble was perceptible until the shock was over with a great panic ensued. Both the Queen's theatre and the Theatre Francaise were crowded and the audiences were considerably frightened. Two ladies fainted in the former and had to be carried to the dressing rooms. The audience rose to their feet, but did not leave the house. Three ladies fainted at the Francaise, and many in the audience made a break for the door, but a panic was averted when the manager addressed the audience from the stage, assuring them that there was no danger. The shock caused some little alarm in the hotels. No serious damage has been reported.

Telegraphic reports received here indicate that the quake was felt all down the Ottawa valley and through eastern Quebec. In St. John's, Quebec, the inhabitants rushed into the streets. It was particularly severe at St. Hillaire mountain.

Earthquake in Vermont.

Rutland, Vt., May 27.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here tonight at 10:15. Buildings trembled perceptibly. At Bellows Falls and Burlington the shock was felt twice. The earthquake was more violent north of here, being distinctly felt at Plattsburg and Montreal. It extended as far south as Fort Edward, N. Y. No damage was done.

The Rio Grande Rising.

Santa Fe, N. M., May 27.—A rise of eight inches in the Rio Grande is reported from the Colorado line, and it has been raining continually over the Rio Grande watershed north of this city all day. The prospects are that the river is rising from one to two feet more water than is now flowing, has started toward El Paso tonight.

The rainfall at Santa Fe for the past month has been nearly four inches, or about three times the normal supply. Dispatches tonight report fresh rain falling all day along the Colorado line. This will serve to increase the freshets already flowing in the Rio Grande tributaries. At Chamita the river has reached the highest point known in ten years and in the Espanola valley the current is a quarter of a mile wide.

Resigned.

Omaha, Neb., May 27.—W. N. Babcock, for eight years general manager of the Omaha Union stockyards, has resigned.

Northern Presbyterians.

Eagle Lake, Ind., May 27.—The interests of the American Sabbath union occupied the time of the Presbyterian general assembly today during the first half hour usually devoted to devotional exercises. Dr. J. W. Hathaway, president of the union, presided, and made remarks during which he said that the desecration of the Sabbath in America had no parallel in Europe.

A report was made by Dr. Withrow of the committee on bills and overtures concerning organic union with the Southern Presbyterian church. The following answer was made and adopted by the assembly:

"We reiterate our readiness to take active steps towards such union as soon as the Lord, in His providence, shall open the way."

Elder James A. Mount, governor of Indiana, chairman of the committee to make recommendations as to the 250th

celebration of the adoption of the Westminster confession standard, reported a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of fifteen and fixing the second Thursday of the assembly's session as the time of the celebration.

The regular order of the morning was reports of the board on aid for colleges. The final order of the morning was the report from the committee on correspondence. Dr. Sutherland of Washington, chairman.

A fraternal communication was read from the Reformed Dutch church and the delegate from the United Presbyterian church, Dr. Campbell of Princeton, Ind.

At the afternoon session greetings were read from the assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, now in session in Chicago.

The regular order of the afternoon was then taken up, being the report of the board of church correction.

The assembly then adjourned, to meet tomorrow morning.

Southern Presbyterians.

Charlotte, N. C., May 27.—One of the most pleasing incidents of the general assembly occurred late last night in the stirring address of the Rev. Dr. R. H. Joldrman of Chicago, fraternal delegate from the Reformed church in America. He spoke of the earnest hope entertained by many persons that there might be effected soon a union between the churches and the assembly. His address was warmly received. A resolution to appoint a committee on union with the Reformed church was referred to the committee on foreign correspondence.

The report on the Sabbath was adopted. The report on home and school was made and docketed. It recommends the separation of the assembly's home at Fredericksburg from its connection with the Fredericksburg college.

Dr. Hoge gave notice of his earnest opposition to this course.

The report on theological seminaries recommended the establishment of a summer school at some convenient point where the learned professors may give popular instructions for the benefit of people generally. A committee to arrange for this was appointed. The committee is as follows: Drs. Summer, Beattie, McPheters, Moore and Huling.

The assembly resumed the Westminster celebration and heard the Rev. Dr. J. F. Cannon of St. Louis on the difference of the Westminster standards on the individual, the family and society. His address was clear and strong, direct and popular.

A heated discussion occurred during the afternoon on the salary of the secretary of foreign missions. A motion was made to reduce it from \$2500 to \$2000. The vote was close, but the recommendation of the committee that it remain at \$2500 was carried. The report of the assembly's home is pending.

Tonight the assembly celebrated the Lord's supper. The attendance was large. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Joldrman of Chicago.

Cumberland Presbyterians.

Chicago, May 27.—At today's session of the Cumberland Presbyterian general assembly the finance committee reported that the books of the treasurer and the stated clerk were correct, showing an expenditure of \$5387 during the year. Leaving the assembly in arrears to the extent of \$1527.

This afternoon reports from the committees on publications, Sunday schools, wages and means and temperance were read.

Women secured a point today at the general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. It was on the question as to whether Mrs. Schuyler of Kansas should be recognized as a ruling elder of the synod of the church. Mrs. Schuyler won her fight before the judiciary committee, which made a special report on her to the association. However, a resolution was adopted immediately afterwards declaring the action of the assembly should not be construed to mean that it favored appointment or election of women as ruling members. BTAQINof mfo8 men as ruling elders.

Pullman, the Perfect Town.

Chicago, May 27.—George M. Pullman has received from Arch Duke Rainer two magnificent medals as testimonials of honor and merit in founding and building the most perfect town in the world.

BIG SUIT DECIDED.

It Involved the National Wall Paper Company and Many Millions.

New York, May 27.—A suit was decided in the United States circuit court of appeals today involving the National Wall Paper company and \$38,000,000 of securities. The case was considered of great importance, as on its result depended the legality of the \$20,000,000 stock of the National Wall Paper company. The plaintiffs were Cresswell & Washburn, wall paper manufacturers of Philadelphia.

In 1892 the National Wall Paper company was organized and acquired the business of Cresswell & Washburn, for which it paid \$326,000 in debenture stock and \$1,831,800 in common stock. The agreement of purchase provided that all the common stock should be placed in trust and that Cresswell & Washburn should not be allowed to engage in any other wall paper business in the United States. Subsequently they became dissatisfied with the terms of the agreement and sought an injunction to restrain the company from paying in the interest on its \$8,000,000 debenture stock, claiming that under the scheme of organization outlined by the character and agreements of the company it had no right to pay its interest so long as its capital was impaired, or unless the interest had been earned. All of the stock of the company had been issued for the good will of the business acquired by it, and it was claimed that the good will was not property for which stock could be issued, and, further, that the good will had been seriously impaired by the closing of factories, and that the interest could not be paid until this impairment was made good by further profits.

Cresswell & Washburn had also brought proceedings before the attorney general to revoke the charter, on the ground that the stock had been improperly issued and that there were no assets to support it. They had been defeated in that attempt. The court, on the trial of this case before Judge Wheeler, decided in favor of the company, and in the opinion just handed down his decision is sustained in all points. The court decided that "good will" is property for which stock may be issued, but that, whether this is true or not, the complainants should not be heard to complain that the stock was improperly issued, inasmuch as they participated in the transaction.

Mistaken for a Burglar.

Cincinnati, May 27.—George A. Ducey, who has been connected with the Associated Press here and at Denver for several places for many years, was killed tonight in a murder plot concocted by Policeman Amos Booth. Ducey, who was on his way home, passed a house from which a burglar alarm had been turned in and to which Booth had responded. He refused to halt, when the officer shot dead, mistaking him for one of the burglars. Ducey was the chief operator of the Associated Press.

AWFUL HEAD-END COLLISION

A PASSENGER AND FREIGHT
CRASH TOGETHER AT AMERI-
CAN FALLS, IDAHO.

AT LEAST NINE MEN WERE KILLED

And as Many More Were Injured.
Two Engines Converted Into
Scrap Iron—It Is Thought the
Air Was Tampered With.

Pocatello, Ida., May 27.—A head-end collision between a freight and passenger train at American Falls, twenty-five miles west of here, at 4:30 o'clock, caused the death, so far as known, of nine men and the serious injury of eight others. This is the worst wreck that has occurred on the Short Line in many years.

The westbound passenger train was waiting for the freight at American Falls, standing in front of the station building. The freight coming east ran away on the hill west of the falls. It is thought the air was tampered with. The freight, running fifty miles an hour, crashed into the passenger train which was already backed up right in front of the station. Two men were on the station platform. One was killed and the other one fatally injured. Both engines were converted into scrap iron and twenty freight cars piled up in a heap.

Eight passengers, sheep shearers and tramps, were crushed to death. Up to noon five bodies had been taken out. George Moore, the engineer of the freight, is seriously injured. The fireman, Dick Cosgrove, had a leg broken, and C. E. Hackman, engineer of the passenger, sustained slight injuries. He stayed by his engine until he reversed it. The conductor and brakeman on top of the freight, setting the brakes and fireman Cosgrove had climbed back to help them when the crash came.

The dead are:

C. W. Shields, about 25 years old, residence unknown.

L. Thompson, Dayton, Wash.

John R. Cooper, Wellsville, Utah.

J. Steggen, Dillon, Mont.

Five unknown men, all sheep shearers, beating their way.

Others injured are:

G. W. Brennan, Pearl, Ida., leg broken.

F. D. Springer, Dayton, Wash., leg broken.

Joseph Bergen, Brigham, leg broken.

John Peters, residence unknown, leg broken.

William Connelly, Great Barrington, Mass., crushed and injured internally; will die.

Del Valle Doings.

Del Valle, Tex., May 26.—Our community lost one of its best citizens last week in the death of Mr. Blackstock, who expired after a brief illness of only a few days. He was an old and honored resident and will be greatly missed by all. A camp of the Woodmen of the World, having been organized and is in a flourishing condition.

Quite a number of Del Valleites are on the sick list at present, though there is no serious illness at all. Picnics still continue very popular on Onion creek, and many parties from town are secured every week. However, no more enjoyable day has been spent than last Wednesday, when the local Sunday school gave a picnic at Baker's crossing. A good sized crowd was present and every one enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent.

"Fat Sallie" Dead.

Ennis, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Sallie Jael, a colored woman of this city, died quite suddenly at her house last night. She was very fleshy, weighing 450 pounds, and was a native of Georgia. "Fat Sallie" was a well known character in the town, and an undertaker made one, the dimensions of which were: Length, 6 feet; width, 3 feet; depth, 30 inches.

Killed by a Runaway Team.

Dallas, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—At 12:30 today, Frank Hall, an 11-year-old boy, was killed by a runaway team at the Water Pierce oil mill. Shepard Hall, father of the dead boy, is a prisoner in the county jail on a charge of cattle theft. As soon as the news of the accident reached the sheriff's office, Deputy Sheriff John Baker was detailed to conduct the prisoner to his dead son. The father was very much affected.

New Union Depot for Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Ground was broken today by the Texas and Pacific at the intersection of that road with the Texas and Texas Central, for the erection of a new Union depot.

For Horse Theft—Adjudged Insane.

Dallas, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Louis Miller was given six years in the penitentiary for horse theft.

Mrs. C. B. Adams, aged 24, was adjudged insane today. Feeble health was the cause.

Spurious Dollars Circulating.

Marshall, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Counterfeit silver dollars are being circulated in this city. The counterfeit is an unusually good one and readily passes only on a casual scrutiny. The pieces bear the date of 1889. The "9" is slightly blurred. On the eagle side of the piece, beneath the wreath, is the letter "O."

A Colored Affray.

Marshall, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Alex. Kennedy, charged with killing one Trammel with a hoe near Hendricks' lake in Rusk county, on the 19th of May, was captured here yesterday. The parties are negroes. Sheriff Standard of Rusk county came over after Kennedy today.

State Militia Inspector.

Houston, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Lieut. Alfred Drey of the United States army left this evening under appointment of Adj. Gen. Mabry to inspect the various military companies of the state and report on their condition. He visits Galveston first, thence he returns to Houston, thence to Richmond, Luling, San Antonio, Eagle Pass, Austin and numerous other points. It will take forty-five days to complete the round.

Sent Up for Twenty-Five Years.

Galveston, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—William Lowthers, charged with Fred Backus, was charged with Eugene Pellota on April 11, was tried and convicted yesterday in the criminal court and given twenty-five years in the penitentiary. Backus was given the same penalty when tried on Wednesday.

Politics Did Not Enter.

Galveston, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Leroy Trice, newly appointed superintendent of the International and Great Northern,

who is in the city on an inspection tour, denies most emphatically that politics figured in Mr. Campbell's resignation. He resigned of his own accord and for private reasons.

Goes to the U. P.

Palestine, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—E. C. Manson, for the past two years superintendent of the car service department of the International and Great Northern, whose office was abolished May 25, has accepted an offer on the Union Pacific at Pocatello, Ida.

Religious Service in a Saloon.

Beaumont, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—As a result of a revival in progress here, religious services were held today in J. T. Gossett's saloon.

Three hundred people were present. Three ministers took part in the services, which were non-sectarian.

Negro Accidentally Killed.

Bryan, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Michael Thompson, a young negro living five miles south of Bryan, was accidentally shot and killed while handling a loaded shotgun.

Settled by Agreement.

Navasota, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—The case of Mrs. Louisa Smith against R. A. Smith, which has been pending in the district court for six years, has been settled by agreement. The heirs receive one-half of all community property and \$5000. The case involved an immense amount of property and several thousand dollars cash.

Charged With Infanticide.

Floresville, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Henry Johnson and stepdaughter, Lizzie Brooks, both colored, were arrested on a charge of killing to 2 weeks' old baby of the girl. They gave bond in \$1200 each and were released.

Pioneer Texas Preacher Dead.

Kemp, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Rev. R. L. Watkins, aged 81 years, died this morning at 5 o'clock. Father Watkins was a minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian church. He was the first ordained preacher of Texas. He was one of the pioneer men of Texas, has lived here and preached all over Texas for the past sixty-three years.

Texas Life Insurance Company.

Tyler, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—At a called meeting of the Texas Life Insurance company, held today, resolutions were adopted that the district court of Smith county be requested to make the receivership permanent, that the concern be wound up as speedily as possible and with as little expense as possible.

Negro Suspects Arrested.

Smithville, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Tom Hardy and Allen White, colored, were arrested and jailed at Bastrop, charged with killing Lewis Drisdall in church a few days ago.

From Galveston to Santone.

Galveston, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Tonight Mr. Louis Lett presented his plans to a meeting of citizens in Chamber of Commerce for a railroad from Galveston to San Antonio.

He wants \$50,000 subscribed to the stock of the railroad, \$100,000 in the construction company and right of way through Galveston county. This line enters the territory and conflicts with the building of the Galveston, Brazoria and Southwestern Railroad, recently chartered by Galveston parties under the leadership of L. P. Featherstone, the secretary of the Gulf and Interior. Mr. Featherstone has a corps of engineers in the field, who will be ready to report in a few days.

The Morphine Route.

Galveston, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Alice Webster, colored, died at Sealy hospital last night from an overdose of morphine.

Young Girl's Sudden Death.

Sherman, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—Miss Minna McGahey, aged 14 years, died at the home of her parents, eight miles southwest of the city, last night from tetanus. Last Tuesday she fell and a small silver piercer hit her right knee. It was quite painful, but the liberal use of liniments brought ease, and yesterday she was able to assist in the discharge of household duties. Late in the afternoon the knee began to pain her again and tetanus ensued, resulting in death in a few hours.

Body of an Infant Found.

Greenville, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—The body of an infant was found yesterday in Fools' park in a shoe box. While the father was after an officer the body was taken off and no trace has been heard of it since. No suspicion has been fixed on any one yet.

THE BRIDGES MURDER.

It Has Sensational Features—His Brother-in-Law Arrested.

Corsicana, Tex., May 27.—(Special).—The killing of R. W. Bridges at Frost, in this county, yesterday afternoon, presents some sensational features. Today a brother-in-law of the deceased, Will R. Cain, was brought here by officers under arrest, charged with killing Bridges. Cain is a grocery merchant at Frost and is a prominent citizen of that place. The trouble which culminated in the shooting was the claims to domestic differences, Bridges, the deceased, having married a sister of Cain some years ago. A suit for divorce was filed by Mrs. Drusey Bridges, the wife, she praying for a decree of separation and for the custody of her four children.

The facts in the case appear to be that Mrs. Bridges returned to join her brother, Mr. Cain, at Frost, bringing the four children with her, and that as soon as the citation in the divorce case reached her husband in the Territory he immediately departed for Frost, reaching there yesterday morning.

Cain was brought here today by Sheriff Allen, who went to Frost after him. He entered into bond in the sum of \$1000 and was released.

The inquest was held by Justice Willison of Blooming Grove, the verdict being that Bridges met his death at the hands of W. R. Cain. There were thirty-two holes in Bridges' body. One ball passed directly through the heart. The physicians stated that any of the shots would have produced death. He was hit twice with a shotgun and four times with a pistol.

Both parties are members of prominent families residing at and near Frost. Bridges' remains will be interred near Frost, where his mother and other relatives reside.

Big Strike Ordered.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 27.—The national executive board of the Union Mine Workers of America have decided to order a general strike throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia to secure the 90 cent rate for mining. The order is expected to be in the hands of the workmen within a very few days.

More than 50,000 miners will be affected by the order and a desperate struggle between the men and operators will result.

The order, it is said, has been decided upon because of the fact that sixteen large colliers in the Pittsburg district have secured control of all the lake front dockage.

THE CUBAN CAUSE.

An Important Meeting to Be Held in Philadelphia Soon.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 27.—It is definitely settled that the most important conference yet held in America in connection with the Cuban cause will assemble in Philadelphia some time next week. Gen. Palma will preside. With him will be Quesada, the charge d'affaires. They are coming here, it is said, to prepare plans that may meet the enthusiastic approval of the administration at Washington. It is said that as soon as Secretary Sherman became secretary of state he sent for Quesada. That interview has had more to do with the coming conference than any one thing that has occurred in Cuban affairs since the inauguration of the war two years ago. To some it seems to mean that the autonomy of Cuba will be granted. To the extremists it appears that independence and then alliance with the United States will be the result. The Cubans say they have reason to believe the McKinley administration is going to carry out the policy upon which McKinley became president.

OHIO SILVER REPUBLICANS.

A State Conference Held at Columbus—Organizing for the Future.

Columbus, O., May 27.—The state conference of silver republicans called by Provision State Chairman Davis of Findlay, under instructions from National Provisional Chairman Towne of Minnesota, met in the board of trade auditorium at 11 a. m., with Dr. Spencer Garwood of Milford Centre in the chair and about 100 persons in the audience.

Allen W. Thurman of this city, democratic candidate for governor, and Gen. A. J. Warner of Marietta were among the speakers. Mr. Towne is present. He served as a republican in congress on term from the Duluth district.

Provisional Chairman Davis says the organization which is being formed is for free and unlimited coinage of all gold and silver that comes to the mints, at the ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the consent of any other nation, and the support of any party that fully expressed our ideas on this subject.

Committees are to be appointed with power to nominate a state ticket in the future if necessary.

At the afternoon session a resolution declaring in favor of reorganizing the republican party was voted down. A resolution was adopted providing for the organization of a state central committee and giving it authority to decide whether an independent ticket shall be nominated and candidates of some other ticket adopted.

THE DURRANT CASE.

The Old Soldier Shows That His First Statement Was Unreliable.

San Francisco, Cal., May 27.—A letter was received today from W. L. Bryant, the old soldier who recently swore to a sensational affidavit to the effect that he saw Rev. J. G. Gibson, pastor of Emmanuel church, carrying the body of a woman up to the belfry on the date of the Blanche Lamont murder, which effectually disposes of that document and proves the unreliability of the writer. Although the letter was mailed at Montevista, Cal., four days after Bryant made his affidavit, he states he never saw either Gibson or Durrant to his knowledge, but that two women, Hester Hicks and Henriette Bishy, had offered him \$5000 to swear that he was in the church at the time the murder was committed and that he saw the person who committed the crime. Nothing is known of either of the women.

Big Railroad Trust Deed.

Omaha, Neb., May 27.—A trust deed for \$15,000,000, conveying all the rights of the Omaha, Minneapolis and Buffalo railroad company to the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Trust company of this city was filed today. The former company was incorporated to build a railroad from Omaha through Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Canada to Buffalo. The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Trust company is looking as the financial end of the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Road company.

Negro Child Roasted Alive.

Selma